[1858?]

Wayland, Jan 26th 1857

Dear Sir,

I thank you for attending to poor James's affairs. I will take charge of the Bank Book, when I come into the city.

With regard to the Biographical Dictionary, it is business I don't like. I have been asked 6 or 8 times to furnish a biographical sketch, for such a purpose, and always answered that I preferred being left out, which I do in this case, very decidedly. There is no manner of danger that Professor Bowen will take any notice of me, or of any other ultra reformer, if he can any way avoid it. Therefore if you skipped me, my wish would be gratified. As for doing "good to the cause," that is out of the question, in the few lines of statistics, for which they have room. Why, in two such pages as you prescribe, I could scarcely put the titles of all the

trash I have published.
However, I will state the principal ones.

I was born Feb. 1802 in Medford Massachusetts.

I have written Hobomok, an Indian story.

The Rebels, a story of the Revolution.

An Appeal in behalf of that Class of Americans called Africans.

The Mother's Book.

2 volumes of Letters from N. York.

Fact & Fiction a collection of stories

Autumnal Leaves, ditto.

Philothea, a Grecian Romance.

Four volumes of Flowers for Children.

The Girl's own Book, for children.

Progress of Religious Ideas, 3 vols.

With cordial greetings to Mrs. May,
I remain ever your friend, with affectionate respect, and hearty good wishes,

L. M. Child.

✓ The Oasis, a collection of Anti Slavery stories.

✓ Ed. Juvenile Miscellany

✓ Ed. Nat. A.S. Standard

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